

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
| | : | Examiner: M. T. Riley |
| YOICHI SAKAMOTO |) | |
| | : | Art Unit: 2625 |
| Application No.: 10/764,579 |) | |
| | : | Conf. No.: 9013 |
| Filed: January 27, 2004 |) | |
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| For: PRINTING SYSTEM, |) | |
| INFORMATION PROCESSING | : | |
| APPARATUS AND METHOD, |) | |
| AND COMPUTER PROGRAM | : | |
| AND COMPUTER-READABLE |) | |
| STORAGE MEDIUM | : | August 21, 2008 |

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time for response to the Office Action of March 21, 2008, to August 21, 2008. A payment in the amount of \$460.00 for the extension fee is being made concurrently herewith. Please charge any deficiency in this fee, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-3939.

A Request for Continued Examination is being filed herewith. Preliminary to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The claims are listed beginning at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 12.